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GDOT ANNOUNCES OPEN HOUSE SCHEDULED FOR BRIDGE REPLACEMENT OVER FLINT RIVER

THOMASTON, GA – The Georgia Department of Transportation announces a public information open house meeting to discuss replacing the existing Fayette County Road Bridge over the Flint River at the Fayette and Spalding County lines.

The Open House is scheduled from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday, December 15 at Hardy Hall (Town Hall) in the Town of Brooks, Georgia located at 113 Church Alley, Brooks, GA. Georgia DOT engineers and consultants will be available to discuss the proposal. There will not be a formal presentation during the open house.

The proposed project would replace the existing bridge at Fayette County Road (CR) 360/McIntosh Road/Spalding CR 502 over the Flint River approximately 2 miles east of Brooks at the Fayette/Spalding County line. The replacement bridge would be 380 feet long with 2, 12-foot travel lanes and 5-foot shoulders and would be constructed on the same alignment. The roadway would be closed to through traffic during construction. Traffic would utilize a detour during construction. The total project length is approximately 0.3 miles and would require no additional right-of-way.

Anyone unable to attend the public information open house may send comments on the project to Glenn Bowman, State Environmental Administrator – Georgia DOT, 600 West Peachtree Street, 16th Floor, Atlanta, Georgia 30308. All comments will be considered in the development of the final project design and must be received by December 25.

After the open house meetings, plans and handouts can be viewed at the Georgia DOT Area Office located at 1001 Highway 19 South, Griffin, GA.

The plans will be available on the DOT website after the open house meetings at www.dot.ga.gov. On the home page choose "Information Center" then Public Outreach" and select the project's county and choose "Go." A list of active DOT projects in that county will appear. Select the project to view.

The Georgia Department of Transportation is committed to providing a safe, seamless and sustainable transportation system that supports Georgia's economy and is sensitive to both its citizens and its environment. Georgia is the 6th fastest growing state in the nation, yet 49th in per capita spending on transportation. Additional transportation revenues are imperative to grow and sustain Georgia's economic vitality and quality of life through the 21st Century. For general information on the Georgia DOT, please visit our website (www.dot.ga.gov).